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CLAIMS

Please replace the claims with the following clean version of all claims in accordance with 37CFR §1.121(c)(1)(i). A marked up copy showing any changes to the claims is also attached as set forth in 37CFR §1.121(c)(1)(ii).

What is claimed is:

40. (ONCE AMENDED) In a computer system, a method for creating a link between a first lexia and a second lexia of a hypermedia work comprising the steps of:

displaying a first lexia in a lexia display window on a display screen;

displaying a graphical element representing a second lexia in a hypermedia work display window on said display screen, wherein said hypermedia display window is configured to act on at least said first lexia and said second lexia;

selecting a location for an activation area for a link in said lexia display window;

selecting said graphical element in said hypermedia work display window.

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41. (UNCHANGED) The method of claim 40 further comprising the steps of:
extracting a label for said link activation area from a data field of said
lexia;

displaying said label in said lexia display window.

42. (UNCHANGED) The method of claim 41 wherein said link activation area comprises said label.

58. (ONCE AMENDED) A program storage device readable by a machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps for creating a link between a first lexia and a second lexia of a hypermedia work, said method comprising the steps of:

displaying a first lexia in a lexia display window on a display screen;

displaying a graphical element representing a second lexia in a hypermedia work display window on said display screen, wherein said hypermedia display window is configured to act on at least said first lexia and said second lexia;

selecting a location for an activation area for a link in said lexia display window;

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selecting said graphical element in said hypermedia work display window.

59. (UNCHANGED) The program storage device of claim 58 wherein said method further comprises the steps of:

extracting a label for said link activation area from a data field of said lexia; displaying said label in said lexia display window.

60. (UNCHANGED) The program storage device of claim 59 wherein said link activation area comprises said label.